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***Response to Amendment***

1. The reply filed on 7-27-04 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The amendment does not comply with 37 CFR 1.121 because the parenthetical for claims 43 and 46 should be --Withdrawn-- not "Previously Presented". See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

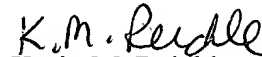
2. It is further noted that contrary to Applicant's remarks of 7-27-04 that claims 1-2, 4-5, 8-11, 34-35 and 47-48 are not considered to read on the elected species of Figures 5-8 because as shown in Figures 5 and 7 the location of connection, i.e. 76, 78, is not located outboard of the side edges of the retention portion, i.e. 70, along the entirety of the side margin, i.e. not at the longitudinal ends and the entirety of the side margin between the connection location and the free edge is not oriented in a non-orthogonal relationship relative to the body panel, e.g. see orientation of longitudinal axis of side margins in Figure 5 relative to terminal waist edge of body panels.

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Karin M. Reichle whose telephone number is (703) 308-2617. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Larry Schwartz can be reached on (703) 308-1412. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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